FISCAL MEMORANDUM SB 2544 - HB 2504

March 31, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015820): Requires persons licensed to monitor alarm systems to make at least one attempt to contact a burglar alarm location or user by means of telephone or other electronic means to determine whether a burglar alarm signal is valid before dispatching police to the location. Eliminates the second call requirement.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from original fiscal note.

Assumptions:

- Alarm monitoring companies would not be required to make a second call to a different number after receiving a burglar alarm signal. This requirement was added by Public Chapter 160 of the Acts of 2007.
- According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, elimination of this requirement would decrease the number of complaints for noncompliance received by this regulatory program.
- Any cost savings to the Department due to the reduction in workload by the elimination of this requirement is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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